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## MINISTRY OF LAW

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 2nd May, 1968/Vaisakha 12, 1890 (Saka)

The following President's Act is published for general information:—

THE UTTAR PRADESH GAON PANCHAYATS AND KSHETTRA SAMITIS (EXTENSION OF TERM) ACT, 1968

No. 14 of 1968

Enacted by the President in the Nineteenth Year of the Republic of India.

An Act further to amend the U.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1947, and the Uttar Pradesh Kshettra Samitis and Zila Parishads Adhiniyam, 1961, for the purposes hereinafter appearing.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Uttar Pradesh State Legislature (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1968, the President is pleased to enact as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Uttar Pradesh Gaon Panchayats and short title. Kshettra Samitis (Extension of Term) Act, 1968.

7 of 1968.

Amendment of section  $V^2$ .

2. In section 12 of the U.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1947, in sub-section U.P. Act XXVI of (2), for the words "eight years", the words "nine years" shall be 1947. substituted.

imendment of section 8.

3. In section 8 of the Uttar Pradesh Kshettra Samitis and Zila Parishads Adhiniyam, 1961, in the first proviso to sub-section (1), for XXXIII of 1961.

ZAKIR HUSAIN,

President.

V. N. BHATIA, Secy. to the Govt. of India.

## Reasons for the enactment

The question of re-organisation of the various Panchayati Raj bodies with a view to making them better instruments for the development of rural areas had been under consideration of the State Government of Uttar Pradesh for some time. Further, in pursuance of the recommendations of the Santhanam Committee on the methods of elections to the Panchayati Raj bodies it was proposed that the existing terms of these bodies should be so synchronized that the next general elections thereto could be held one after the other in the minimum possible time. It was also proposed that the next general elections to the Gaon Panchayats should be held on the basis of the Assembly electoral rolls through secret ballot. Exhaustive amendments in the U.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1947, and the Uttar Pradesh Kshettra Samitis and Zila Parlshads Adhiniyam, 1961, in that behalf were accordingly contemplated. Pending consideration of these amendments, general elections to the Panchayati Raj bodies were held over. The term of office of the existing Gaon Panchayats and Kshettra Samitis had consequently to be extended which is now due to expire on June 30, 1968, and May 4, 1968, respectively. As the process of amending the aforesaid Acts is likely to take some more time, it is necessary to empower the State Government to extend the term of Gaon Panchayats and Kshettra Samitis for a further period of one year.

2. The Uttar Pradesh Gaon Panchayats and Kshettra Samitis (Extension of Term) Act, 1968, is being enacted accordingly.

3. The Committee constituted under the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Uttar Pradesh State Legislature (Delegation of Powers) Act. 1968 (7 of 1968), has approved the enactment of this measure as a President's Act.

I. D. N. SAHI,

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